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Utah Crop Progress & Conditions

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Agricultural Summary

Farm activities continue to be in full swing. The days suitable for work has reached a 7 full days for the second week in a row. This week produced even warmer weather than the previous week. Livestock continues doing well around the state.

Field Crops Summary

The fall grain has already begun to change color around the state. The warmer weather has allowed the corn to grow a little quicker. The 2nd cutting of hay is underway, while the 1st cutting of hay is coming to an end. Harvest for sweet cherries, tart cherries, and apricots are in full swing. Box Elder reports that spring dryland wheat is looking poor this year due to late planting and insufficient moisture. Mormon Crickets are still showing up in some areas closer to the western part of Box Elder. County agents report safflower conditions as being average. Irrigated crops continue to do well, but some of the non-irrigated crops could use the much needed rainfall.

Livestock Summary

Livestock continues to do well. Most sheep and cattle have been moved to the summer range.

Crop Progress for Week Ending July 2, 2006

Item	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Barley Headed Stage	89	69	63	83
Oats Harvested Silage/Hay	44	32	33	36
Spring Wheat Headed	80	59	58	79
Alfalfa Second Cutting	24	8	6	12
Other Hay Cut	59	44	58	59
Apricots Harvested	15	7	19	29
Sweet Cherries Harvested	48	21	41	52
Tart Cherries Harvested	15	3	19	18

Crop & Livestock Condition for Week Ending July 2, 2006

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Range & Pasture	3	10	30	48	9
Spring Wheat	1	16	27	47	9
Winter Wheat	1	8	34	52	5
Barley	0	2	22	62	14
Sheep	0	0	14	79	7
Cattle/calves	0	0	11	71	18

Soil Moisture for Week Ending July 2, 2006

Item	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Topsoil	10	40	50	0
Subsoil	6	36	58	0
Irrigation water supplies	4	13	81	2
Stock water supplies	1	16	81	2